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# TELEGRAM

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TAGS: PINS, ASEC, AR  
SUBJECT: Terrorist Activities on the Upswing

ACTION: Secstate WASHDC

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1. Indications are that both ERP and Montonero terrorist activities will increase substantially in the near time "22 August" faction frame. Traditionally, the ERP/celebrates the anniversary of the Aug 22, 1972, Trelew jail outbreak with spectacular terrorist activities, and events of the week, noted below, indicate that this year will witness more of the same.

2. As reported by DAO IR 6 804 0535 75 a group of terrorists killed an Army officer and carried off a substantial number of weapons during an Aug 18 operation in Buenos Aires. [REDACTED] the attackers left a communique noting that the attack was a joint operation of the ERP and Montoneros and was the beginning of an offensive against military and security forces. At mid-day Aug 20 an unidentified group of terrorists attacked a police station and other public offices at San Martin

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Plaza in mid-town of Cordoba. Radio accounts state six persons were wounded and <sup>two</sup> ~~one~~ police official killed. No further details are available at the time of the preparation of this report.

3. According to Aug 20 press, thirteen members of Chamber of Deputies have been threatened with death by ERP. The Deputies, representing various political parties, have reportedly been provided additional police guards. Press also reports concern of GOA security forces that widespread terrorist activities will take place this coming weekend.

4. In view above, Security Watch Committee has recommended additional security measures to assure lowest possible posture for Mission personnel during next few days.

  
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